(b) whether it is a fact that the CMD has violated contract rules by speedily mobilizing advance of Rs. 40 crore and the CMD embarked upon an ambitious recruitment programme without corresponding manpower planning and clearance of any new project; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) The Central Bureau of Investigation has held as proved the charges of submitting forged experience certificates of Bharat Bharti Udyog Nigam Limited and C.K.S. Engineers Pvt. Ltd. by the present Chairman and Managing Director of North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Limited (NEEPCO) at the time of his appointment as General Manager in the National Hydro-electric Power Corporation Limited.

(b) and (c) During the year 2004-05, interest-free mobilization advances were released by North Eastern Electric Power Corporation against security of equal amount of Bank guarantee to the contractors of major works of Kameng Hydro Electric Project as per their contract agreements for this project.

North-Eastern Electric Power Corporation recruited 356 numbers of persons during the tenure of present Chairman & Managing Director. The recruitment made is within the sanctioned strength of 4305 of the Corporation. The present manpower position is 3293. However, the Ministry of Power has advised the Chairman & Managing Director, North Eastern Electric Power Corporation to review the sanctioned manpower itself and no further recruitment at any level be made until the review exercise has been completed.

Working group on working of power sector

2041. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:
SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Planning Commission has set up a working group on power under the Chairmanship of Power Secretary to give input for improving performance of the power sector during Eleventh five Year Plan period;

(b) whether this group will review the achievement in the Tenth Five Year Plan period in improving targets set for generation, transmission, renovation and modernization;

(c) if so, whether group has already submitted its report;

(d) what are the details of the same; and

(e) to what extent its recommendations will help in power generation and transmission?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) to (e) Yes, Sir. Planning Commission has set up a Working Group on Power for formulation of Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-12) under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of Power.

The terms of reference of the Working Group *inter-alia,* include review of likely achievements during the Tenth Plan period in meeting targets set for generation, transmission, distribution and renovation and modernization (R&M).

The time line for submission of report to the Planning Commission has been set as 30th September, 2006.

Land allocated to Tehri Dam displaced

2042. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Tehri Dam displaced who have been provided agricultural land by THDC at Mauja Pathri, Suman Nagar, Bahadrabad, Haridwar have not been able to cultivate their land due to non-availability of proper road linkages;

(b) whether the approach roads on Band No. 5 are so narrow that tractors cannot reach the fields;

(c) whether the fields are located at a depression making it impossible for tractors to reach the individual plots; and

(d) if so, the action taken to widen the roads on Band No. 5 besides providing road linkages to plots through mud filling?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SHINDE): (a) Government of Uttaranchal who are implementing the rehabilitation work on behalf of THDC, have informed that Mauja Pathri/Suman Nagar, Bahadrabad rehabilitation site in District Haridwar is well connected with Bahadrabad Dhaunort motor roads. There are two link roads to this site